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Firefighter Simon in marathon feat

By CATHERINE PYE

An East Lancashire firefighter will be running the London Marathon in his kit to raise money for charity.

Simon Poulter, 33, of Great Harwood, has worked for the town's retained crew for five years, and is keen to pump hundreds into the Fire Fighter's Charity.

He will be running the 26-mile course, on Sunday, April 22, in his heavyweight 'bunker' trousers, although he will be swapping his boots for running trainers.

He said: "I used to live in London and went down to support the runners.

"I've been trying to get in myself for a few years now because I've always fancied it.

"I'm not a natural runner, but I've been practicing every day for between five minutes to an hour, and it's definitely paying off.

"I haven't practiced running in the trousers though yet.

Fundraiser to run 26-mile route in his kit

"I'm imagining it will be very hot and uncomfortable in them."

Simon has not set a finishing time goal, saying it is more of a "personal challenge" to complete the course.

So far he has raised more than £550 for the charity, which assists 17,500 firefighters every year, who need therapy, rehabilitation, and recuperation facilities.

People wanting to support Simon can donate online at www.justgiving.com/simon78

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CHALLENGE: Simon Poulter will be taking part in the London Marathon in his firefighting gear

Malcolm brings mill heritage into focus

Former Darwen art teacher Malcolm Ross is creating a photographic record of all the mills across Blackburn and Darwen.

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People are asked to meet at the park gate house.

Firebug fears

Bins should be brought in because firebugs are torching them, say Blackburn police.

Residents in Audley are being asked not to leave wheelie bins in alleyways as youths are setting them on fire while drinking and smoking cannabis.

Patrols have been stepped up in the area and officers have hand delivered letters to residents. Police are appealing for anyone with information to come forward.

Zumba for fun!

Zumba sessions are now being held every Thursday at the Civic Arts Centre, in Union Road, Oswaldtwistle.

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LIFE EXPERIENCE: Pupils from Pleckgate High School visited the Cape of Good Hope during their 'eye-opening' trip

Students in visit to SA township

By NAFEESA SHAN

Pupils from East Lancashire met their South African counterparts during a trip where they saw the impact of their fund-raising efforts.

The Pleckgate High School students, who have been raising funds throughout the year, visited a deprived township in Cape Town to see the 'real' South Africa.

Through the Uthando township project, the group of 26 students and staff saw how youngsters are being given chances to lift themselves out of poverty through projects involving dance, drama, and music.

Uthando charity houses 1.6million people, where many live in squalid conditions. The group from the Blackburn school described it as an 'eye-opening' experience.

While in Cape Town, they also visited schools they had forged links with before they left for South Africa last month.

They met students from five schools, and had a multi-faith celebration evening where Blackburn College staff, who were visiting the area, also attended. Blackburn College has signed a deal with universities in Cape Town to teach its courses to students.

Nicola Stanton, from Pleckgate School, who organised the trip, said: "This really was a once-in-a-lifetime trip for the pupils to see the many sides of Cape Town, and to learn about the education, history and culture of this beautiful city.

"It was a fantastic experience for the pupils to actually see how their fundraising in school will help the communities in the townships."

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Tickets on sale for mayor's charity ball

Tickets are available for the Blackburn with Darwen Mayor's Ball on March 30, in King George's Hall.

Tickets are £25, which includes a three-course meal. The ball, hosted by **Coun Karimeh Foster**, will raise money for the Multiple Sclerosis Society, The Wish Centre, The Young Carers Project, and the Carers Centre. For tickets, call 01254 585229.

Care for cemetery

The Friends of Darwen Cemetery are holding their next working party in the western cemetery on Saturday, from 10am to 1pm.

Policing matters

Darwen South, Marsh House and Whitehall residents can attend a Police and Communities Together, PACT, meeting tonight (Wednesday), in Ashleigh School, Ross Street, Darwen, at 6.30pm, to raise any concerns about problems in the area.

Blood donors date

Poplar Working Men's Club, in Wellington Street, Accrington, will host blood donor sessions on March 22, at 1.15pm and 5.15pm.

Sister pays tribute to Monkees star

By **NEIL DOCKING**

The eldest sister of Monkees star Davy Jones has paid tribute to her 'kid brother' in the wake of his death.

The singer and actor, 66, who had strong connections in East Lancashire, died after suffering a heart attack in his sleep at his Florida home last week.

Davy found fame in the 1960s with the iconic TV boyband, famous for hits including I'm a Believer, Last Train to Clarksville and Daydream Believer.

Hazel Wilkinson, who lived in Church and would often entertain the pop star when he came back home to Britain, said she last spoke to Davy "not long ago" and would write to him once a fortnight.

She said: "He was always playing the monkey, right from being born.

"When he came over he was just my younger kid brother. We talked about the olden days. We talked about people who lived in our street.

"He was just a family member. When he came over he would sleep on the settee if he had to!"

Hazel said she first heard of Davy's death after her family in Manchester received a phone call from the brother of the singer's third wife, Jessica Pacheco.

She said: "It was just a shock to everybody.

"He was fine, he was on the Boybands TV programme on the Saturday and Sunday on ITV2, and everybody was telling me how well he looked.

"There didn't seem to be anything wrong with him."

Davy, who last month went on a cruise holiday with one of his four daughters and one of his four grandchildren, only last month sent Hazel a copy of his latest album.

She said: "There was a picture of me and all the family, him at six and me at 16, and it's on the front cover.

"I sent the picture to him last year and he had it printed on the front.

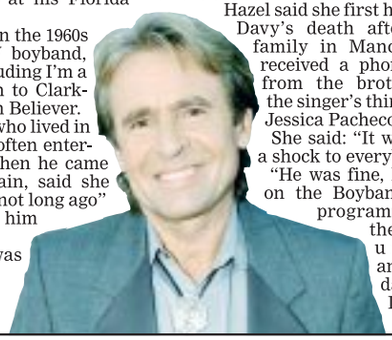
"We were all there at The Monkees concerts last year when they came over and did 10 dates in England."

Hazel helped run The Monkees fan club, writing to fans as far away as Australia and Japan, for more than 40 years.

She said: "I do thank all The Monkees fans.

"They've been absolutely terrific fans.

"He couldn't have had any better."



SUDDEN DEATH: Davy Jones

Actor to launch film fest

Actor Lee Ingleby is to launch what is promising to be East Lancashire's largest-ever film and TV festival.

Burnley-born Lee will kick off the seventh Pennine Film Festival with a question-and-answer session at Accrington and Rossendale College's Coppice Theatre.

The George Gently star, who attended Nelson's Edge End High, is also a graduate of the college's performing arts programme.

LEE INGLEBY

Entries from as far afield as Honduras, America, and Australia, have been lined up for the festival, which runs for a week from Friday.

Festival co-ordinator Stephen Murphy said: "It's wonderful to welcome back Lee, one of our former students, to our new campus, and we look forward to a wonderful festival.

"Each year we get a little bit more popular and this year we are pleased to say we have had more competition entries than ever. The scope and range of these films is amazing, and there's something which everyone can enjoy in the programme."

Fundraising skydive in memory of brother

A young woman from Darwen is well on her way to reaching her £1,000 fundraising goal for a charity skydive in memory of her brother.

Leah Nixon's brother, Paul, died aged 27 in November, from sarcoma tumour. To date the 22-year-old has raised £540.

Leah, of Huntingdon Drive, will be taking to the skies on Saturday, June 23, as part of Sarcoma UK Awareness Week. To donate, visit www.justgiving.com/Leah-Nixon or text "MIRI71" followed by the amount, between £1 and £10, to 70070.

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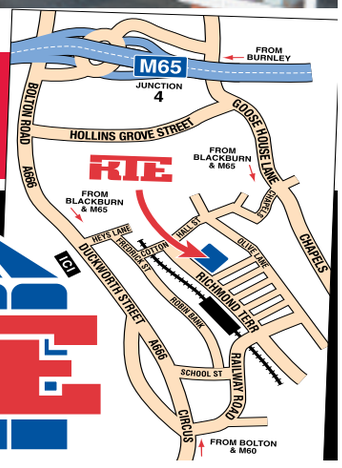

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Pupils campaign for a safer road

By NEIL DOCKING

SENT LETTERS: Pupils from St Oswald's Primary School, Knuzden

Knuzden pupils have written to a councillor in a bid to have the road outside their primary school made safer.

Coun Doug Hayes received 27 letters from concerned children in a Year One class at St Oswald's Primary School.

He was taking their letters to a Hyndburn Council meeting this week to see if yellow zig-zag "school – keep clear" markings can be moved further down Mount St James, to where a new school entrance is located.

Julie Lees, the children's teacher, said: "We've been running a geography topic on keeping our local area safe and were looking outside our school because it's on a really busy road. We haven't had an accident out there, but it's a matter of time I think because some people drive down there so fast.

"At home time, with the parking situation, which is terrible because there are not many places to park, and all the children coming out, it's very busy.

"We looked at what we could do to make it safer, and the children wrote to councillor Hayes asking if we could have a pelican crossing.

"In the meantime, we've had a new entrance put in further down the road.

"We're trying to get the school zig-zags moved down the road near there, but the council said it would cost a lot of money."

Coun Hayes said he was sympathetic to the problems of parking at the school and was happy to work with the headteacher to see how he could help.

Hours at library

Opening times at Blackburn Central Library changed this week as part of Blackburn with Darwen Council's £33million cuts. The revised times are Monday and Wednesday, 10am to 7pm, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10am to 5pm, and Saturday, 9.30am to 5pm.

PACT date

The next Police and Communities Together, or PACT, meeting for the Peel, Barnfield and Woodnook areas will be held in Accrington Police Station, Spring Gardens, on March 28, at 6.30pm.

Give blood

Blood donor sessions will be held in Great Harwood Trinity Church, in King Street, on March 13, from 1.15pm to 3.30pm, and from 5.15pm to 7.30pm.

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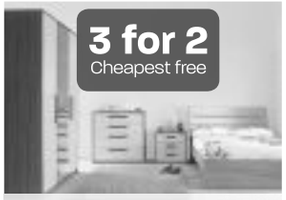

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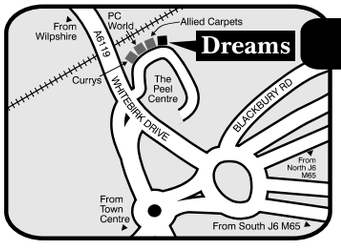

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Malcolm focuses on mill heritage

By DAN CLOUGH

MUSEUM RECORD: Former Darwen teacher Malcolm Ross is photographing evidence of all the mills in the borough

A former art teacher is creating a photographic record of all the mills in Blackburn and Darwen.

Malcolm Ross taught art at Darwen Vale High School from 1974 to 2009. But now, the 63-year-old, of Sunnyhurst Lane, Darwen, is cataloguing the borough's mills for Blackburn Museum.

Mr Ross started the project in March 2009, and has just nine left to record out of 164 across the two towns.

He said: "Just before I retired, I did some volunteering at the museum and said I would be interested in a project.

"I've always been interested in art, sculpture and architecture, so it was agreed I would create a photographic record of the cotton mills, or what remained of them."

Using guides to the borough's industrial archaeology, published in the 1980s by Mike Rothwell, of Hyndburn Local History Society, Mr Ross set out to capture what was left of the mills that made Blackburn and Darwen world famous.

He has also recorded mill owners' and workers' housing, where they remain.

He said: "A great deal has gone. Sometimes there is a new housing estate where the mill used to be, with just a trace of the mill in the name of a close.

"A lot of the Blackburn mills have been broken down into units, or part of the site has been cleared and used for housing or modern industrial units, and there are only a couple of mills still producing textiles in the borough. Previously I had no specialist knowledge of mills, but I have learned a lot through taking these pictures."

Manchester-born Mr Ross, who moved to Darwen 38 years ago from London, is keen, once this project is completed, to consider another photographic recording project for the museum.

Library changes

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The library is closed on Tuesdays.

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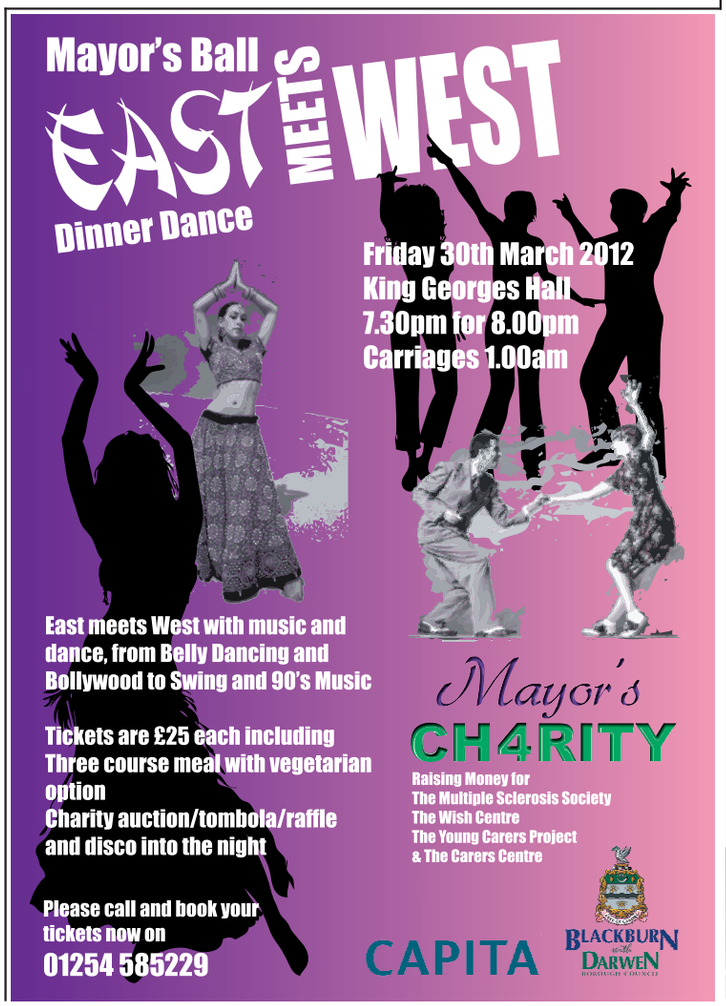
The next advice surgery with Darwen MP **Jake Berry**, above, is this Friday, from 5.30pm to 7pm, at his constituency office, at 7a Railway Road. Call 01706 215547 to make an appointment.

Trash ash

Bank Top Neighbourhood Learning Centre, in Arthur Way, Blackburn, is hosting a stop smoking workshop today (Wednesday), at 1.30pm. Call 01254 581175.

Save lives

Blood donors are wanted on Wednesday, March 14, at Darwen Leisure Centre, from 1.15pm to 3.30pm, and from 5.15pm to 7.30pm. Call 0300 1232323



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Citizen In brief

Free information on services for over-50s

A free information event for over-50s will be held in Darwen Health Centre on March 12. Age UK is organising the event, from 9.30am to 12.30pm, which will provide information on entitlements, and services, people may be missing out on.

Trained staff will also be available to answer particular queries.

"We hope this event will give older people the chance to find out more about our services, and also to ask questions," said chief officer **Pauline Walsh**, above.

For more details, call 01254 773440.

Combating crime

A crime prevention stand has been set up by police inside the Tesco supermarket store, in Eagle Street, Accrington. The initiative has been taken after a number of recurring shoplifting and anti-social behaviour incidents in, and around, the store.

Walk this way

Age UK is holding a healthy walk for the over-55s tomorrow (Thursday), at Falcon Avenue, Darwen, from 11am.

The 90-minute walk is at a moderate pace, and between two and three miles long.

Contact Ali Hamer on 01254 266620, or call Matt Donnelly on 01254 694503, or 07968 127285, for details

Prince applauds teen inspiration

By CATHERINE PYE

A teenage volunteer from Rishton had an "awesome" time meeting Prince Charles at Clarence House.

Jamie Woodruff, 18, of Burton Street, was invited to a Prince's Trust reception celebrating the charity's 15 years of working with football clubs, because of his role as the county's only Sports Ambassador.

After reducing the audience to tears with the story of how he joined the Prince's Trust, he is now set to embark on a new chapter of motivational speaking.

Jamie was encouraged to attend a 12-week course at Blackburn's branch of the Prince's Trust by a support worker for dyslexia when he finished a dead-end job at 16.

He had previously been mugged and had low self-confidence, spending most of his time fishing.

But during the course, which included residential trips and community tasks such as tidying the grounds of Blackburn Cathedral, his confidence blossomed.

"AMAZING": Jamie Woodruff, second left, meets Prince Charles. Jamie also met Jeremy Clarkson, right, and Jenson Button, top right

Jamie said: "It was awesome and I got to shake the Prince's hand.

"He spoke to me for 10 to 15 minutes, and said it was inspirational to see young people changing their lives and helping others.

"The palace was beautiful and I got to meet people like Jenson Button, Jeremy Clarkson, Dion Dublin, and the chief executive of FIFA.

"I gave a speech about my life, and how I got involved in the Prince's Trust, and I could see it made some people in the audience cry. Then I got chatting to some executives of Blackburn Rovers, and they've invited me to give a motivational speech there, and also high schools are interested in something similar.

"It's so amazing to get the chance to do this and to promote the great work the Prince's Trust does."

After helping a fellow course member to stop smoking cannabis by providing information, he was approached to be a volunteer sports ambassador.

Last month, he was invited to a Downing Street reception.

Jamie hopes he can use his love of ice skating to tap into other youngster's sporting abilities, which require skills such as determination, equality, and patience.

Jubilee packs to give away

Packs are still available to Hyndburn residents wanting to hold street parties for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Hyndburn Council is encouraging people to have anything from a small garden party, to a full-blown street party with trestle tables, food, music and entertainment.

COUN WELLS

The road would have to be closed off to traffic.

Coun Ciaran Wells, who is leading the preparations for Hyndburn's summer of celebration, said; " This summer is going to be massive for Hyndburn as we are set to welcome the Queen here as part of her Diamond Jubilee Tour.

"So we want everyone to join in our summer of celebration and celebrate with their friends, family, and neighbours, by holding a street party."

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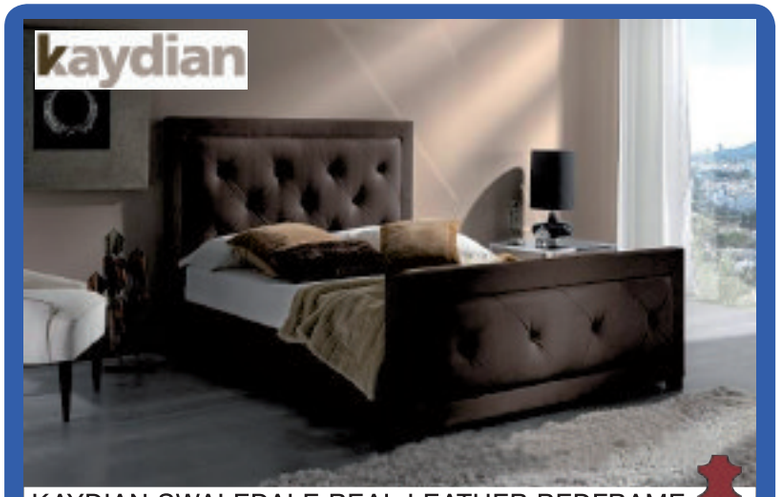

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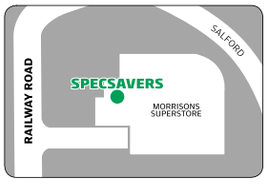

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Bonnie's big love of dance

Actress Bonnie Langford chats about her part in the UK's biggest dance event MOVE IT.

60 SECONDS WITH ... BONNIE LANGFORD

WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT MOVE IT?

It's a big exhibition that's been running for seven years, and now has this amazing following. Basically it's celebrating all things dance. It's grown so much that it's even gone into another little area called Perform It, which incorporates different aspects of theatre and performance.

DANCE IS BIG AT THE MOMENT...

Dance has always been big. But it's funny how it goes round in cycles in the public domain. But it's such an important thing, not just for fitness, but because it makes you feel good. You can do it on so many different levels, even if it's just dad dancing!

WHAT WILL YOU BE DOING AT THE EVENT?

I'm going to be talking! I'll be giving a little talk about the industry. Yes, chatting – I do a lot of that!

WHAT DO YOU SEE YOURSELF AS – A DANCER, ACTRESS OR SINGER?

I don't know, I'm just any old thing - anything that's employable! Actually, that's probably one of the main things I'm going to say at Move It. It's funny, you meet a lot of young people and they say, "I just want to do television and film..." and I think, "Ha! I just want to pay my mortgage!" You never know what life is going to present you with. At the moment I'm doing Spamalot on tour, which is a completely crazy thing! I think I'd just call myself adaptable.

■ Bonnie Langford will be appearing at MOVE IT, from March 9-11, at London's Olympia. For more information, visit www.moveitdance.co.uk

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JULIE FELIX — Oswaldtwistle Civic Arts Centre, Friday, March 9.
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Celtic rock is family affair

By JOHN ANSON

Prepare to party when top Celtic rock outfit Band From County Hell come to Blackburn the day before St Patrick's Day.

The band is a real family affair with frontman and founder Steve 'Jock' McLelland sharing vocals with wife Joolz, and the couple's son Ben on a range of instruments.

The five-piece is renowned for its live shows and has played with the likes of The Pogues and the Levellers, and supported Stiff Little Fingers on a UK tour.

"The time round St Patrick's Day is definitely our favourite time of the year," said Joolz, who will be appearing with the band, at King George's Hall, on Friday, March 16.

"We do tend to play music that is fairly upbeat anyway, but come St Patrick's Day it's a real party feel. We mainly play our own material, but we will throw in some popular cover versions such as Irish Rover and Dirty Old Town."

The term Celtic music covers many different forms.

"We're definitely nearer to The Pogues than The Chieftains," said Joolz. "I think it's the beat of Celtic music which makes it so instantly appealing and gets a crowd on their feet. I love to interact with an audience.

"We often get members of the audience on stage with us to play our special bootsticks, or if there are youngsters in the crowd we may get them to sing with us.

"There have been occasions in the past when we've finished up with more people on stage than in the crowd – the sound man loves that!"

ST PATRICK'S PARTY: Joolz on vocals

Cinema round-up

PROJECT X (18) Not to be confused with the iconic 1987 film of the same title, Project X is a raucous, adult-oriented comedy about a house party that descends into chaos.

SAFE HOUSE (15) Agent Matt Weston (Ryan Reynolds) is caretaker of a CIA safe house when grizzled agent Daniel Kiefer (Robert Patrick) turns up with a prisoner.

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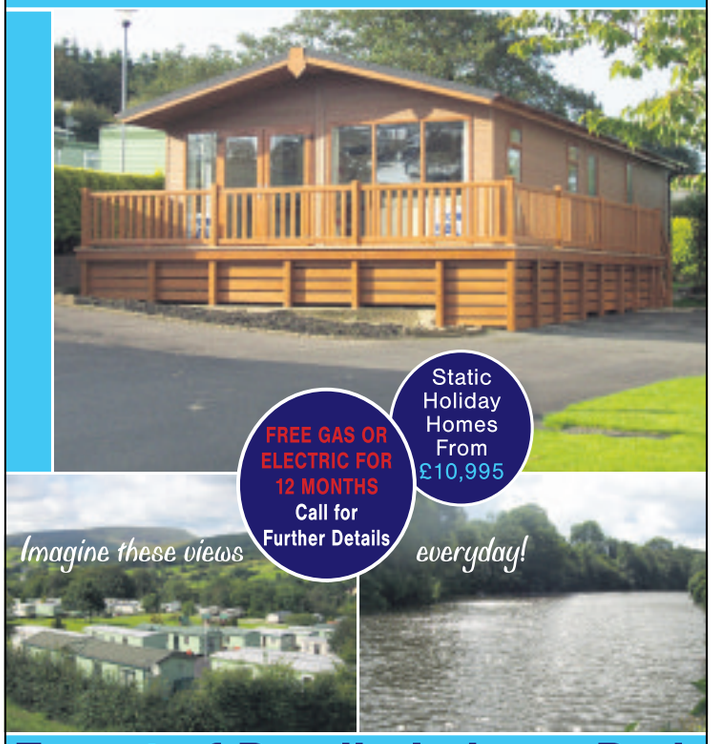

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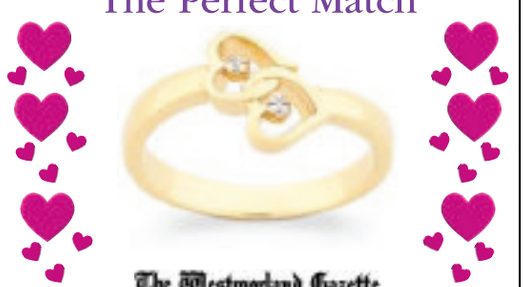
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